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Response to OLC Request - 78-2488

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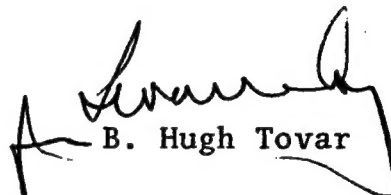
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INVENTORY OF MEXICO CITY COS RECORDS
JOB 73-102, Space 301470

- Box 1: 1 Folder, Willard C. Curtis Vol VII Jan 1966 - June 66.
1 Folder, Willard C. Curtis Vol VIII June 66 to December 1966.
1 Folder, Willard C. Curtis Vol IX Jan 67 - June 67.
✓ Letter dated 14 June 67 from Jack Kaufman to Win Scott mentions Garrison investigation but no new details.
- 1 Folder, ⁰²ARGROECER operation, Mexico City file.
1 Folder, COS relations with Ambassador Hill I Jul 57-30 Jan 58.
1 Folder, " " II 13 Dec 57-15 Jan 59.
1 Folder, " " III Jan 59 - Mar 60.
✓ 1 Folder, " " IV Jan 60 - 30 Apr 69.
- Box 2: 1 Folder, Willard C. Curtis Vol III October 59 - Sep 62.
✓ 1 Folder, Willard C. Curtis Vol IV July 1962 - Dec 63.
3 Appointment books for years 1967, 1968, and 1969.
Pages from appointment calendars for years 1960, 1957, 1961 & 1963.
- Box 3: ✓ 1 Folder, Mexico City Commendation File 1956 - 1969.
✓ ✓ 1 cc DIR-84914, 24 November 63, cable from Lloyd K. Desmond to Curtis...deeply appreciate efforts being made by you....re OSWALD case. Copy in P-8593 201-289248)
1 cc DIR-87666, 7 Dec 63, cable to Mexi from Hq...presume all concerned now agree Alvarado will be returned to Nicaragua.. (copy in 201-389248)
✓ 1 cc HMMW-12193, 13 December 63 RYBAT dispatch from Hq to Mexico Commendation for investigation JFK assassination...(copy in 201-287248).
✓ 1 HMMW-12931, 23 Sep 64, Dispatch from HQ to Mexi, Subj: Sylvia Duran Handwriting Samples. Says no further need to obtain samples...File: 200-5-41.
1 Folder, COS relations with Ambassador Mann Vol I 6 Apr 61-26 Jan 62.
✓ 1 Folder, " " II Feb 62 - Oct 67..
1 Folder, Willard C. Curtis Vol V Jan 64 - Dec 64.
1 Folder, " " VI Jan 65 - Dec 65.
1 Folder, " " X June 67 - Dec 67.
1 Folder, " " XI Jan 68 - Nov 68.
1 Folder, " " XII Jan 69 - Mar 71.
- Box 4: 2 packages of semi-official correspondence, including receipts for miscellaneous expenses and personal travel.
2 calendar pads with appointments for year 1956 and 1958.
2 Folders on COS relations with Ambassador Freeman 1964-1968.
✓ 1 Memorandum of Conversation, 17 May 64 between Ambassador Freeman and Mexican Foreign Secretary asking for Mexican report on the OSWALD investigation.
1 packet of condolence cards for death Maev Paula Scott (COS' wife who died in 1962 in Mexico).

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- Box 5:
- 1 Folder, Mexican newspaper clippings on leftist political activities, March 1971.
 - 1 Folder, Vouchers, receipts and advances for Scott for period 1959 to September 1961.
 - 1 Folder, correspondence with John Baron regarding publications in Readers Digest and manuscripts 1970-1971.
 - 4 Folders, drafts of writings by Scott.
 - 1 Folder, draft of quotations from various publications.
 - 1 Folder, vouchers, receipts and advances for Scott for period February 1957 - April 1959.
 - 1 Folder, notes, NIS Survey Mexico, two draft cables, NIE # 80/90-69, 28 March 1969, Economic Trends in Latin America.
 - 1 Folder, Willard C. Curtis, Vol I 1956-Oct 1960.

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				8	U		C	Personal Correspondence between Scott & Reader's Digest				7 July 66
				9	S		C	Misc. COS working file				30 Dec 66
				10	S		C	Scott (COS) personal finance papers				5 Jan 67
	4			1	U		C	Copy of manuscript "The Foul Toe" (probably by W. Scott)				26 June 67

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